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Amateur Radio License Examinations - Every meeting night at 6:30 PM.

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W3RQZ - 1176 Old York Road, Abington, PA - Trustee W3VVS

W3TKQ - The Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, PA - Trustee W3PMG

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| Archives: | W3IIN | MO-COM 5: | N3DHJ | Social Events: | |
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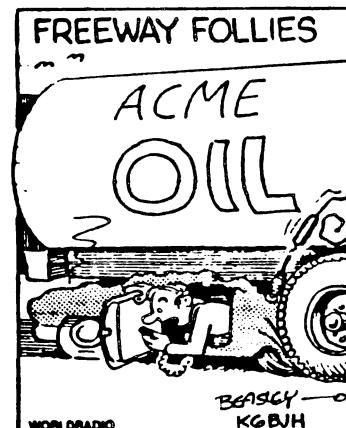
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PHIL-MONT's Net Schedule

| SUNDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY |
|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 0930 147.030 MHz FM | 20:00 147.030 MHz FM | 20:00 147.030 MHz FM |
| 1000 28.400 MHz SSB | Personalized CW | Swap Net |
| 1020 3.993 MHz SSB | Practice Net | |

Recipe from Jackie Chedeville was GREAT!..

de W3VVS



(Thanks. WORLDVIDEO)



to our repeater repairmen for adjustments, repairs and maintenance during the extreme weather in August. We really do appreciate it and thank you!

HAMFESTS

We will print an ongoing schedule of Hamfests based on information received. Please help us keep our list current. If you don't see your favorite event listed here, it's because YOU didn't send it to W3IIM prior to the BLURB deadline!

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MAR 5

DOVER, PA
YORK WINTERFEST

1989

Who said that?

"No worries, Boss. Nobody's going to buy those little Japanese cars."

"Who on earth would want six bottles of the same thing in a package with a handle on it?"

"Watches with no hands? You're crazy."

"Oh, come on! Don't tell me they can put music on Scotch tape."

-Charro, Brownsville, TX □

(Thanks, WORLDVIDEO)

OUR SENTIMENTS EXACTLY:

AM I A PAIN IN THE NECK?

If you are not guilty of being a pain in the neck, you should not read any further. But seriously, what follows is not what you may think.

The other evening, I was talking to Leo, KC2YI, on the phone and he provided me with much of the inspiration and material for this article. He was relating to me that earlier in the day he was trying to figure out how to operate his new rig and called a fellow ham on the phone who owns the same rig for some advice. He called up and said "I hope I'm not being a pain in the neck, but could you give me some advice on how to operate this rig". Of course, his fellow ham was more than happy to oblige.

He then told me of a similar incident prior to starting his now famous "HF to 2-meter patches". He said that while getting the patch set up for the first time, he called a fellow ham and asked him to listen to the signal. You know, "I hope I'm not being a pain in the neck, but could you tell me how my signal is coming through". His fellow ham was of course happy to answer his request.

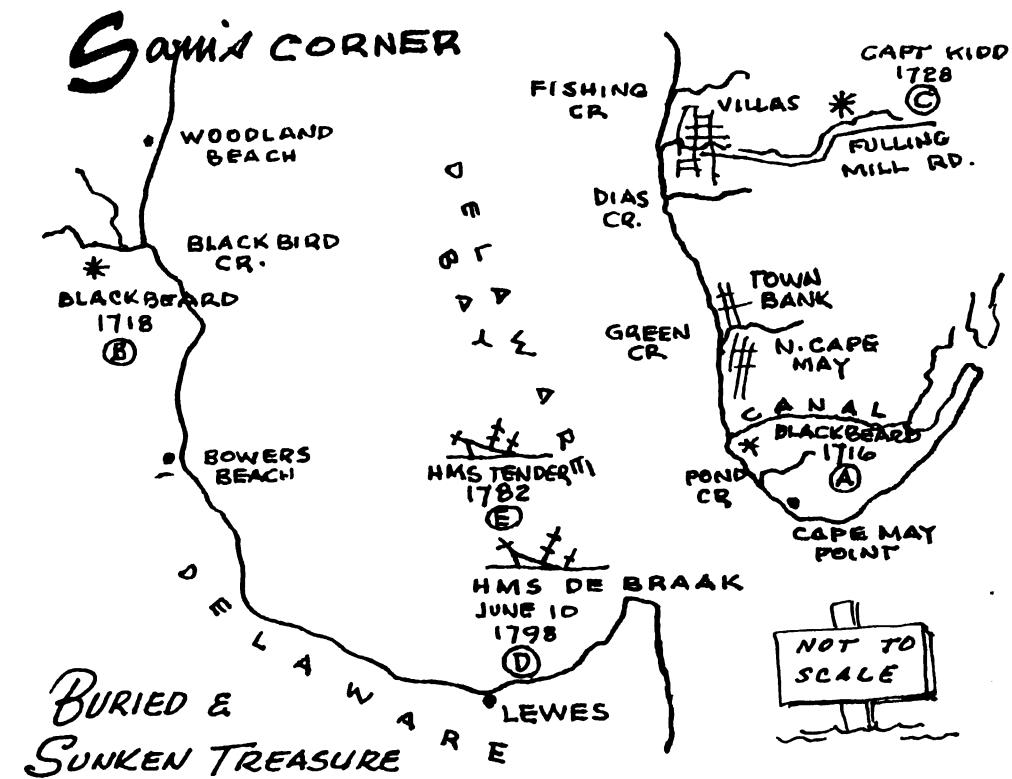
By now you're getting the idea. Asking advice of a fellow ham does not make you a "pain in the neck". To quote Leo "there is no such thing as being a pain in the neck". This is a service, and we can provide a better service if we hams call on each other for advice when we need it. Chances are, there is a fellow ham out there who has the answer to your question, and you need not consider yourself a "pain in the neck" for asking it.

So particularly to you newer hams out there, please stop worrying about being a "pain in the neck" when you have a "dumb question" to ask. Asking questions is how you learn, and your fellow hams are a great pool of knowledge to tap for the answers. Even long-time hams

call on their fellow amateurs for help and advice when they need it. Chances are a fellow ham can help you with the answer or refer you to someone who can help you.

An unsigned editorial in SPARC GAP, the newsletter of the Shore Points ARC.

(Ed- If you THINK you are a P-I-T-N, you probably are, OR if YOU think you are a P-I-T-N it is probably unanimous)



- A - TWO CHESTS OF SPANISH SILVER COIN - BY BLACKBEARD - 1716 AT HIGBEE BEACH
- B - ONE CHEST GOLD DUBLOONS BY BLACKBEARD SOUTH OF BLACKBIRD CR. DELA. 1718
- C - 1400 GOLD BRITISH COIN - 10,000 SILVER BY CAPT KIDD - 1728 EAST OF VILLAS N.J.
- D - 400,000 BRITISH GOLD COIN SUNK WITH HMS DE BRAAK OFF LEWES DEL. 1798
- E - 20,000 BRITISH SILVER COIN SUNK WITH HMS TENDER IN BATTLE WITH USS WASP 1782 - ONE MILE OFF SUNSET BEACH NJ

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE ABOVE CONTACT ME BY MAIL.

DON'T BUY 'EM!

MINUTES
GENERAL MEETING
AUGUST 1988

WB3CMM called the meeting to order at 8pm at the Franklin Institute. Since the membership sheet was left at the guard station, presumably since its custodian W3VVS was involved with the volunteer exam program, many members, including yours truly, did not sign the sheet in the right place and signed in as visitors rather than as members. Therefore an accurate count of visitors is not available unless someone wants to check thru a list of all the members. One call listed in the members column was 8:20pm.

W3TKQ (W3PWG)

Rollie said that W3BBB brought in some RTTY equipment for the station. Otherwise everything else is status quo.

Paddlerama (W3BBB)

Jim indicated that in order to assure more canoe participation (there were only 6 this year) that an up front participation fee would probably be charged next year for entrants. That way, more participants would more likely show up.

Volunteer Examinations (W3RM)

There were 11 applicants
17 elements taken
9 passed
7 upgrades

Programs for the next several months include
September Demonstration of the Super Deluxe \$6,000 ICOM 781 HF Transceiver.
October Family Night
November Old Timers Night

The August program was the updated videotaped version of "Every Single Minute" which included the original 1950's film. It also included an interview with Jim Spencer, W3BBB in his Shades and "Mr. Cool" outfit in which he discussed the Phil-Mont MoCom Van and Ham Radio in general. The film was enjoyed by all and Thanks go especially to Jack, W3IIM who sent it Federal Express so it would arrive in time for the meeting

Meeting adjourned for refreshments at 9:10 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert R. Moore, N2RM, Secretary

STOLEN - 9/26/88 - Philadelphia

YAESU FT707 HF rig s/n 060 30002
YAESU FT227R 2m rig s/n 8D0 60121

Call WB3CMM at 215-623-3501

New Name, New Agenda for NBS

As a result of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act, signed into law on August 23, the National Bureau of Standards (NBS) officially became the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). The new institute retains all of the traditional functions and services of NBS and takes on several new assignments designed to boost American industry in the world marketplace. The new responsibilities build on the technical expertise of NBS, the only federal laboratory with a mission specifically to support U.S. industry. NIST will work with several new constituencies, including state and local

economic development organizations. Four major new programs are called for by the legislation: 1) the development of regional centers for transfer of manufacturing technology, 2) the creation of a focal point within the federal government to work with and support state and local industrial extension services, 3) the creation of an advanced technology program to support and encourage the rapid commercialization of promising new inventions and technologies and 4) the creation of a national clearinghouse of information on state and local technology development initiatives.

DID YOU KNOW?

Since July 1, Commodore has had a PC trade-in program offering owners of Commodore 64, 64C, C16, 128 & the original Commodore Pet \$100 credit toward the purchase of any AMIGA PC, through any authorized Amiga dealer.

MORE GOODIES!

Many thanks to Jim, W3AWG and to Rollie, W3PWG for some great additions to the club's archives.

Jim turned over five carousels of slides, a whole file box filled with club records, and many signs and posters more than 25 years old.

Rollie relinquished a file containing W3TKQ info, and has also lent us a photo album.

Many of these items will be on display at the November - OLE TIMERS' NIGHT meeting.

(215) 448-1139

Net Control operators:
Announce this number on each net!

OLE TIMERS' NIGHT

OLD FRIENDS * NEW FRIENDS * OLD PICTURES * POSTERS * AUDIO TAPE OF 1962 DEDICATION OF W3TKO * SPECIAL REFRESHMENTS * FELLOWSHIP * GREAT TIME * WOW!

Offer an older member a ride!

* UPDATE *

NOV 7 General Meeting
OLE TIMERS' NIGHT
Special Program!

Nov 16 Directors' meeting at
AK2I's

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DEC 5 General Meeting
AWARDS
&
ELECTIONS

Dec 14 Directors' meeting at
W3IIM & N's

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JAN 9 General Meeting

Jan 18 Directors' meeting at
the Immediate Past
President's QTH

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FEB 6 General Meeting

Feb 15 Directors' meeting

V.E. TEST LOCATIONS from EPA FEEDLINE

BRYN MAWR
Bob Haase, W3SA
(215) 293-1919

CENTER CITY
Nov 7, Dec 5
Ramona Dabagian, KM3N
(215) 448-1139

COLMAR
Stu Silverstein, KJUEI
(215) 584-0775

LEVITTOWN
Dave Heller, K3TX
(215) 736-3333

NEWTOWN SQUARE
John Chester
(215) 544-3837

MARMINSTER
Tom Michaud, WA3TOJ
(215) 343-3494

NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

NAME: Brad Swanson
HANDLE: Brad
CALL: N3GLH
CLASS: Technician
ADDRESS: 517 Cresheim Valley Rd.
Wyndmoor, PA 19118
HOME PHONE: (215) 836-2473
OCCUPATION: Mechanic-Tech
BUSINESS PHONE: (215) 659-8110

Due to an oversight, Brad's application was not published in the October BLURB. However, in order to avoid further delay, Brad was elected to membership at the October Directors' meeting. Welcome, Brad!

MINUTES DIRECTORS MEETING AUGUST 1988

The August mid-month meeting was held at the home of WB3CMM on August 17 in Aldan, Pa. It was held on an evening which continued the monthly trend of having mid-month meetings on nights of violent thunderstorm activity. Those who were able to witness the strange cloud formations and violent storm activity in their travels to CMM's included N3EAY, KB3IV, N2RM, W3IIN, W3IIM, and W3BBB. After the Secretary arrived the President, N3EAY called the meeting to order.

The Treasurer, KB3IV reported that expenditures were at last exceeding the inflow of funds.

N3EAY reported that other clubs had been contacted about the Philadelphia Thanksgiving day parade and he thought Phil-Mont had not.

W3BBB said he is finished with the UHF interface for the repeater.

WB3CMM Indicated that October's Family Night program would be Art Appreciation by K3GBA's daughter.

Revisions to By-Laws compiled by W3IIN will be printed for passing out at a future meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

Robert R. Moore, N2RM, Secretary



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

04-RITA DESIMONE (XYL K3YOD)
08-JOHN J. CAREONARD -WA3THP
11-RUTH KENWORTHY (XYL W3HNP)
12-ARNOLD SADWIN - KC2HX
13-CHARLES M. SNYDER - W2HSA
18-HOWARD C. GILPIN - W3SRU
22-WILLIAM H. POPVIC - N3FVI
25-WILLIAM E. RHADS - ND3Q
26-JOHN CLIFTON - KA3RRG
27-MELVIN S. TOREN - W2GMA
29-ROBERT NAMM - K2RRC
30-STUART BOREEN - N3EIK

TIME TO RENEW
W2FUW ... IT'S TIME TO FILL OUT A 610 THE FCC.

HELP PHIL-MONT

ARE YOU PLANNING TO JOIN ARRL OR RENEW YOUR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP? HELP PHIL-MONT BY JOINING OR RENEWING THROUGH THE CLUB...CONTACT KB3IV FOR THE DETAILS.

....DE WB3KQJ

1988

NOVEMBER

1988

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|---|---|----------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | 1 CODE PRACTICE NET | 2 SWAP NET | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 2m NCS WB3CMM 10m NCS Anyone 75m NCS WB3PWI | 7 GENERAL MEETING & LICENSE EXAMS | 8 CODE PRACTICE NET <i>Election Day</i> VOTE! | 9 SWAP NET | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 2m NCS NEEDED 10m NCS Anyone 75m NCS WB3AOA | 14 | 15 CODE PRACTICE NET | 16 SWAP NET DIRECTORS' MEETING at AK2I's | 17 | 18 <i>Veteran's Day</i> | 19 NEXT BOARD MEETING |
| 20 2m NCS KB3JW 10m NCS Anyone 75m NCS WB3RCE | 21 | 22 CODE PRACTICE NET | 23 SWAP NET | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 2m NCS KA3BET 10m NCS Anyone 75m NCS AK2I | 28 | 29 CODE PRACTICE NET | 30 SWAP NET | | | |

PHILADELPHIA MOBILE RADIO CLUB, INC.

1989 BUDGET

| ACCOUNT | INCOME | EXPENSE |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|
| ARRL RENEWALS | \$200.00 | \$184.00 |
| ARCHIVES | --- | 25.00 |
| AWARDS | --- | 135.00 |
| 9LURB | 26.00 | 1,400.00 |
| COM VAN MAINTENANCE | --- | 100.00 |
| DONATIONS | 200.00 | — |
| DOOR PRIZES: 50-50 | 250.00 | 125.00 |
| DUES | 1,800.00 | — |
| MISC. INCOME/EXPENSE | 50.00 | 25.00 |
| MEMORIAL/SUNSHINE FUND | --- | 50.00 |
| PROJECT SALES/EXPENSES | 10.00 | 25.00 |
| REFRESHMENTS | --- | 175.00 |
| REPEATER | --- | 150.00 |
| SOCIAL EVENTS | 900.00 | 900.00 |
| SPECIAL EVENTS | --- | 60.00 |
| STATIONERY/POSTAGE/SUPPL. | --- | 32.00 |
| W3TKQ STATION | --- | 50.00 |
| | \$3,436.00 | \$3,436.00 |

OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT

This is your Official Absentee Ballot for the Election of Officers to be held on December 5, 1988. This ballot must be in the hands of the Judge-of-Elections before the nominations are declared closed on election night.

PROCEDURE:

1. Make your selection below.
2. Seal this BALLOT in an envelope.
3. Write your call on the OUTSIDE of the envelope.
4. Place inside another envelope and mail, or have delivered, to the Judge-of-Elections before the election begins on December 5th.

NOTE: If, after submitting your absentee ballot, you are able to attend the election, you may claim your unopened envelope prior to casting a regular ballot.

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|----------------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|
| PRESIDENT | () | W3UY | () | _____ |
| VICE-PRESIDENT | () | WA3AUN | () | _____ |
| SECRETARY | () | N2RM | () | _____ |
| TREASURER | () | KB3IV | () | _____ |
| DIRECTOR (Vote for two) | () | W3BBB | () | W3LKI |
| | () | K3GBA | () | _____ |

DELIVER TO THE JUDGE-OF-ELECTIONS
or mail in care of:

Richard Moll, W3RM
P.O. Box 88
Abington
Pennsylvania
19001